

**Fond du Lac County Health Department and Agnesian HealthCare****COVID-19 Vaccine Weekly Update****February 12, 2021 at 1:30pm****Who is currently eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine?****Currently eligible populations**

- Frontline health care personnel
- Residents in skilled nursing and long-term care facilities
- Police and fire personnel, correctional staff
- Adults ages 65 and over

**Next eligible groups**

- Education and child care
- Individuals enrolled in Medicaid long-term care programs
- Some public-facing essential workers
- Non-frontline essential health care personnel
- Facility staff and residents in congregate living settings

Wisconsin Department of Health Services (WI DHS) anticipates the next eligible groups listed above may become eligible for the vaccine around March 1 (pending Wisconsin's vaccine supply from the federal government). See more information on the [priority populations here](#).

**Local Vaccination Efforts as of 2/12/2021:**

- Agnesian HealthCare is nearing the end of offering first doses of vaccine to their staff members and volunteers, and in many cases administering the second dose. Work is underway to transition these employee-based clinics into the ambulatory setting or through Employee Health.
- As of this week, Fond du Lac County Health Department, in collaboration with Agnesian HealthCare, completed a series of vaccination clinics specific for frontline health care workers (phase 1a) and police and fire personnel (phase 1b).
  - Moving forward the health department will schedule vaccination appointments for individuals who are eligible within [phase 1a](#) and 1b above as needed. If you believe you fall into one of these categories, please call Fond du Lac County Health Department at 920-929-3085 ext 4.
- The [Federal Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program](#) continues to provide vaccination services to residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities participating in the program.
- On Feb. 11, [WI DHS announced](#) the [Federal Retail Pharmacy Program](#) will launch with 178 Walgreens locations participating across Wisconsin, with the majority of sites located in underserved areas.

### Vaccinations for adults 65 and older

- On Jan. 19, WI DHS announced that adults over the age of 65 will be eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine beginning Jan. 25.
- On Jan. 25, Agnesian HealthCare started vaccinating patients ages 75 and older as they are at a higher risk for serious complications and hospitalization due to COVID-19. Within its first week, more than 1,750 patients were vaccinated.
- On Jan. 27, Fond du Lac County Health Department began vaccination clinics for this population. The Health Department held three mass clinics for this group, vaccinating over 2,800 individuals with their first doses. The health department will be providing second dose clinics for the individuals who attend the first dose clinics. Moving forward, public health is no longer scheduling appointments for adults age 65 and older. Individuals in this age group should visit their health care provider's website for details on COVID-19 vaccination.
- **Starting Feb. 3, Agnesian HealthCare patients who are age 65 and older can call (920) 926-8400. The hotline is available daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.** Due to high call volumes during the week, patients might find that scheduling during weekend hours is more efficient.
  - Patients interested in receiving the vaccine can visit [agnesian.com/covid19](https://agnesian.com/covid19) and complete a vaccine interest form to be notified when appointments will be available specifically for their age group. Preregistration will not guarantee an immediate appointment; it will help Agnesian HealthCare in notifying individuals on how to schedule an appointment once they are eligible.
- Thanks to the efforts of more than 50 Agnesian HealthCare staff, 1,036 vaccines were given to patients 65 years and above who scheduled time during an eight-hour Saturday session. The process went smoothly and drew praise from participants.
- We understand that many people are eager to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. We ask for everyone's patience as we schedule vaccinations for eligible community members.

### WI DHS has Weekly Newsletter to Keep Public Informed of COVID-19 Response and Vaccination Progress

Every Friday, a COVID-19 update newsletter will be sent by WI DHS via email to people who sign up to receive it. To sign up for the newsletter, click [here](#).

### For additional COVID-19 resources, please visit:

- [agnesian.com/covid19](https://agnesian.com/covid19) and [www.fdlco.wi.gov](http://www.fdlco.wi.gov)
  - Sign up [here](#) for email notifications when Fond du Lac County's COVID-19 Vaccine Page has updates available.
- [Agnesian HealthCare's Facebook Page](#) and [Fond du Lac County Health Department's Facebook Page](#)
- [WI DHS COVID-19 Vaccine website](#)
- [WI DHS COVID-19 Vaccine Data](#)
  - On Feb. 11, WI DHS released a new COVID-19 Vaccine Data Dashboard. See the entire [news release here](#).
  - As of Feb. 12 at 1pm, a total of 13,578 (13.1%) Fond du Lac County residents have received at least one dose of the vaccine. 4,018 residents have completed the vaccine series.